

GOULED CONVICTED IN RAINCOAT CASE

**Faces 12 Year Sentence and
\$12,000 Fine for Bribing
Army Officers.**

WILL HEAR FATE TUESDAY

**David Podell, Charged With
Drawing Up Contracts, Is
Acquitted.**

Felix Gouled, a manufacturer of embroidered goods with a factory in Weehawken, offices in the Metropolitan and Flatiron buildings and a house in West End avenue, was convicted yesterday by a jury in the Federal District Court of dealing illegally in army raincoat contracts. He was found guilty of bribing army officers to award contracts to manufacturers with whom he had an understanding.

David L. Podell, a lawyer, 42 Broadway, was found not guilty of conspiring with Gouled to defraud the Government. He was alleged to have drawn contracts and agreements designed to conceal illegal transactions between Gouled and a raincoat manufacturer.

The jury voted unanimously to exonerate Podell when it began its deliberations. In an hour and a half it reached agreement on Gouled's guilt. Judge Edward E. Cushman said he would sentence Gouled next Tuesday. He continued him on bail in \$20,000. Gouled is liable to a maximum aggregate penalty of twelve years imprisonment and a \$12,000 fine. He was convicted on a charge of conspiring to defraud the Government and upon two counts of an indictment charging use of the mails to defraud.

Capt. Aubrey W. Vaughan, a code-fendant, pleaded guilty to an indictment charging him with accepting things of value from Gouled and was not tried. His position as procurement officer in the Quartermaster Department at Washington made it possible for Gouled to secure contracts to raincoat and puttees.

The agreement in the case of the Rosenfeld Raincoat Company, which was the case set forth in the indictment, provided for a partnership for war order purposes between Gouled and Harry Rosenfeld. Each invested \$12,500, and the division of profits was to have been an equal one except that 5 per cent. was first to go to Gouled. Under the terms of the agreement Rosenfeld, who was cooperating with the Department of Justice, provided the factory and equipment. Gouled was to get the Government contracts.

There was much testimony about Gouled's special 5 per cent. during the trial. Joseph A. Burdeau, Assistant United States Attorney, charged this provided a fund for bribery. Testimony from several manufacturers indicated that this fund amounted to many thousands of dollars. Capt. Vaughan, a witness for the Government, said that all he got was \$1,500 and a wrist watch.

POSTAL GRIEVANCES FILED.

**Federation Seeks Cause of Ex-
perienced Men Quitting Service.**

The National Federation of Postal Employees sent a petition yesterday to Postmaster-General Burleson asking him to take executive action to remedy a list of grievances which it submitted. The petition calls for the appointment of a committee, similar to the one named, to investigate working conditions in the telephone systems, and asks that postal employees be represented upon it.

The federation wants the committee to find out the underlying cause for large numbers of experienced men leaving the service. It declares that 70 per cent. of the work of mail distribution takes place at night, and asserts that much of this is unnecessary and that it is the cause of dissatisfaction and unrest. Unnecessary and excessive overtime is complained of. It is asked that mail distributors be given credit for the time taken for home study of distribution schemes.

The status of substitutes and the unsanitary condition of post offices are made the cause of complaint and the creation of an efficiency rating system to determine promotions is asked.

The federation says it feels certain that the committee asked for could obtain information on postal service problems which could be made the basis for administrative reforms, which would be of lasting benefit to the public, the service and the employees. The petition is signed by the national officers of the federation.

TEN CHRISTMAS GIFT STATIONS.

**Red Cross to Distribute Cartons to
Soldiers' Relatives Monday.**

Preparations were begun yesterday by the New York County Chapter of the American Red Cross for receiving Christmas parcels for American soldiers in the American Expeditionary Force, according to the plan worked out by the War Department postal authorities.

Ten stations where official cartons may be secured and where the cartons when packed may be delivered up to November 15 will be opened Monday by the New York County Chapter. Similar arrangements are being made in all chapters in the United States.

The location of the ten Manhattan stations will be announced later. Empty cardboard cartons, size 9 by 4 by 3 inches, will be supplied at these stations to all holders of Christmas parcel labels received by them from soldiers abroad. No carton will be given unless this label is presented. Only one parcel may be sent to each soldier. The labels are now being distributed among the soldiers by representatives of the War Department. The Red Cross has nothing to do with the distribution of the labels.

NEWS PRINT PAPER INCREASED

**Federal Trade Commission Raises
Prices on All Grades.**

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—Because of increased cost of labor and transportation, the Federal Trade Commission in a finding announced to-day granted increases in prices for standard news print paper, establishing as fair maximum prices for the period from July 1 the following: \$3.75 a hundred pounds, f. o. b. mill, for roll news in car lots; \$3.87 for roll news in less than car lots; \$4.15 for sheet news in car lots, and \$4.27 for sheet news in small quantities.

The news prices, it is estimated, will allow manufacturers an average profit of \$17.5 a ton, but do not include the increases asked because of higher cost for wood used for pulp. Three rates were fixed as bases for adjustments for paper already delivered on contracts.

HOBBO SERVICE FLAG TO FLY ON BOWERY

**Jeff Davis, Abducted King of
Tribe, Says 30,000 Are
in Army.**

HARD WORDS FOR HOW

**Former Monarch Says Rival
Spokesman Is Nothing But
Millionaire.**

Jeff Davis, self-deposed King of the Hoboes, dropped into THE SUN office yesterday, as he does now and then, to give the news of the road. This time his principal item was that the hoboes have a service flag and are going to swing it over the Bowery Monday with appropriate celebration. It will bear the figure 39,000, that being the number of members, according to Jeff, that the Hoboes of America, otherwise the Itinerant Workers' Union, have sent into the war out of a total of 507,536 who hold union cards. In the center of the flag will be a single gold star for the hoboes who, believing in freedom, have died for it.

"Some of the boys," said Jeff, "thought the place for the flag was California, and some favored New Orleans, but I figured the Bowery as the ideal spot. Although the Bowery has changed some since the days when I hung out at McGuirk's there are a lot of hoboes who think of it as their home, and as they certainly haven't any other, like as not they're right. The boys are certainly entitled to a service flag, and if the union doesn't put one up for them who will?"

"J. Eds. How said a while ago that the hoboes didn't believe in the war. How does he know? He calls himself the millionaire hobo, but take it from me, he never hoboes in his life, which leaves him only a millionaire in addition to being, as he says, a philosophical anarchist, whatever that is."

"The hoboes are down on this sort of stuff. How 'ever represented themselves. They know that if we don't win the war the Kaiser will make a bum out of us, so let's get in and finish it. I wonder if it's generally known that the word hobo comes from the Latin homo, meaning man, and bonus, meaning good. Homo bonus: hobo; good man; that's the hobo."

"I made eight speeches for the Liberty Loan last night. I have sold \$2,500,000 worth of bonds in the four drives, taken in more than \$5,000,000 for the Red Cross and \$5,000 recruits for the navy. Come up to the Bowery near the Manhattan Bridge opening Monday and you'll see a flag raising that will knock your eye out."

Yellow Fever in Guatemala.

SAN SALVADOR, Republic of Salvador, Oct. 18.—Cases of yellow fever are reported to have developed at San Jose, Guatemala, and the commandant and port doctor have died from the disease. A steamship which arrived to-day at Acutilla was placed in quarantine, because she had touched at San Jose.

U. S. DATA BARRED IN BOLSHEVIKI TRIAL

**Court Rules Inquiry Into Au-
thenticity of Sisson Docu-
ments Is Not in Order.**

ROBINS PUT ON STAND

**Counsel for Six Defendants
Blocked in Attempt to Ques-
tion Government Reports.**

Judge Henry D. Clayton ruled yesterday in the Federal District Court that an inquiry into the authenticity of the anti-Bolshevik documents collected in Russia by Edgar G. Sisson of the Department of Justice was not in order at the trial of Mollie Stimer and five men who are charged with distributing seditious literature.

Raymond Robins, social worker of Chicago and former Progressive leader, who was in Russia with the American Red Cross mission while Sisson was making an investigation there, was put on the stand by Harry Weinberger, counsel for the defendants, in an effort to challenge the Sisson papers.

Judge Clayton ruled that happenings in Russia were immaterial at a trial here for alleged conspiracy to violate the espionage law. After Weinberger had asked several questions to show the drift of his inquiry the court instructed Mr. Robins that he did not have to answer. The witness was excused.

Will Recall Sisson Subpoena.

Mr. Weinberger said that because of the position taken by Judge Clayton he would recall the subpoena sent to Mr. Sisson in Washington.

Mr. Weinberger asked the witness if he did not know that the Soviet Government asked to be allowed to cooperate with the United States; if he had not been authorized by Ambassador Francis to represent the United States in negotiations with the Soviet; if the Soviet had not offered to place the Russian railroads in the custody of the United States to keep them out of German hands, and if William Boyce Thompson, first head of the Red Cross mission, did not think the Sisson documents were forgeries.

In opening for the defense Mr. Weinberger said he would ask the court to charge that the defendants were justified in distributing pamphlets attacking the Administration's Russian policy because President Wilson had sent an armed force to Siberia without a declaration of war and without getting the consent of Congress. The lawyer added that in sympathizing with the Bolsheviks the defendants did not violate the espionage law.

Judge Outlines His Views.

Judge Clayton directed the lawyer to put his theory of defense in writing. The court said that unless he changed his mind he would refuse to charge as requested. "No man can violate the laws of the United States and set up as a defense

what the nation should or should not have done," said the court. "The President and the Government cannot be assailed in the manner that these persons, who are not even citizens of the United States, have attacked it, and then let it be answered that there is a higher law. 'These persons are revolutionists. It was their purpose to create opinions hostile to the United States and to prevent the enforcement of law. What happened in Russia does not affect what they did.' The trial will be continued Monday. Mollie Stimer and her associates will be witnesses."

10 YEARS FOR BITING SLACKER

**Man Who Assaulted Draft Board
Sentenced to Prison.**

SPECIAL DESPATCH TO THE SUN.
CAMP UPTON, N. Y., Oct. 18.—Peter Masukas, who assaulted a policeman and the members of his draft board with a chair and bit one of them when arraigned as a deserter, was sentenced to-day by a court-martial to ten years imprisonment. He lived at 68 Seaman street, The Bronx.

Last summer Masukas was ordered to report to Local Board No. 2, 2720 Third avenue, but did not appear. He was later arrested. When he was taken before the board he seized a chair and struck every one within reach and bit Jerome C. Rothschild, a customs officer, before he was subdued. He is a Lithuanian.

TRAIN KILLS 1; INJURES 32.

**Hits Automobile Bus at Pompton
Lakes Crossing.**

One man was killed and thirty-two were injured when an automobile bus of the Villavest line, running between Paterson and Haskell, N. J., was hit by a passenger train of the New York, Susquehanna and Western Railroad on a grade crossing at Pompton Lakes yesterday. The watchman was said to be absent and the driver of the bus, Leo Minunken of Fair Lawn, did not see the approaching train.

Walter May of Paterson, an employee of the du Pont Powder Works, was killed instantly. Four others were seriously injured and the rest were cut or bruised. Minunken was held in \$1,000 bail pending an investigation.

W. S. Kinnear in Fuel Department.

Delos W. Cooke, State Fuel Administrator, announced yesterday the appointment of Wilson S. Kinnear as personal representative of the Fuel Administration in cooperation with the anthracite committee. Mr. Kinnear is head of the firm of W. S. Kinnear & Co., consulting engineers, and was formerly president of the United States Realty and Improvement Company.

HAS HER FIANCE NATURALIZED

**Miss Brady Is Sponsor for Irish
Savior of Pelham Station.**

Miss Adele L. Brady, of 2395 Valentine avenue, The Bronx, a daughter of the late John J. Brady, Supreme Court Justice, took Joseph John Lawlor, an Irish sailor at the Pelham Bay Naval Training Station, before Justice John M. Tierney in the Supreme Court in The Bronx yesterday and had him naturalized. It was explained that Miss Brady, who inherited half a million dollars from her father's estate, was engaged to marry the young bluejacket, who was born in Tipperary.

"You come from a land that has given many great men to the United States," Justice Tierney said to Lawlor. "Commodore Barry, father of the American navy, was an Irishman. So was Commodore Decatur, who fought the Barbary pirates. Now you are an American citizen and you are to be the husband of a fine American girl. More power to you."

Brennan Estate Valuation Less.

When the appraisal of the estate of the late Margaret A. Brennan, owner of the San Remo apartment house, Central Park West, was filed yesterday in the Surrogate's office it was found that the total estate was valued at \$122,656, instead of \$1,000,000, as previously reported.

LAWYER FORGER SENTENCED

**Robert N. Shoemaker of Newark
Gets Six to Ten Years.**

Robert N. Shoemaker, lawyer of Newark, who pleaded non vult to embezzling and forgery to the extent of \$28,000 of funds entrusted to him by clients, was sentenced yesterday to serve from six to ten years by Judge William P. Martin in Newark.

The court said Shoemaker had made restitution of about \$19,000, received by Mrs. Shoemaker, who disposed of her belongings, even an inheritance from her grandmother.

McCall Raises Flag of 354 Stars.

Boston, Oct. 18.—A service flag with 354 stars was unfurled to-day at the State House by Gov. McCall in honor of clients, was sentenced yesterday to serve from six to ten years by Judge William P. Martin in Newark.

Italian Draft Treaty Advanced.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18.—The Senate Foreign Relations Committee today ordered the Italian draft treaty favorably reported to the Senate. The treaty is similar to those negotiated by the United States with Great Britain, France and Greece.



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